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Re: Snap-on Technologies, Inc.
File 14,281B-A
Patent Application for:
MAGNETIC BIT HOLDER AND HAND
TOOL INCORPORATING SAME
Serial No. 09/110,145

Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing is an Amendment in the
above-captioned application.

No additional fee is required.

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AMENDMENT

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated October 21, 1999,
please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend claim 22 as follows:

22. (Amended) A bit holder comprising:
a body having a distal end surface,
said body having a bore formed in said end surface,
a magnet received in said bore and having an outer surface,
and a discrete retaining member friction fitted in said bore
outboard of said magnet to retain said magnet in said bore,
said retaining member having a continuous outer periphery such
that any two points on the periphery can be joined by a straight